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# University of Missouri-St. Louis

## Foreign Languages & Literatures

### *Why UM-SL?*

Studying a foreign language at UM-St. Louis provides affordable, native level language instruction from qualified, innovative teachers.

### *Career Outlook*

Career options for graduates with a major or minor in foreign languages include the following fields: teaching, business, communications, government, journalism, travel industry, translation, and research. Our graduates have been especially successful when they combine advanced study in a foreign language with another major. They were then able to add proficiency in a foreign language and culture to their knowledge and skills in another specialty (e.g., Business, Social Work, Nursing, Engineering). In a global and ever more diverse job market, these experiences with foreign cultures make our graduates more adaptable and, therefore, more employable.

### *Undergraduate Studies*

#### **Degrees and Areas of Concentration**

The Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures offers course work in French and Spanish leading to the B.A. Degree, and a field of concentration in French, German, and Spanish for those students seeking the B.S. degree in education. Minors in French, German, or Spanish may also be earned in the Department. For details, see "Specific Requirements for the Minor," below. In addition, the Department offers courses in English as a second language, Latin, Ancient Greek, Arabic, Chinese, Japanese, and Modern Greek.

#### **Faculty**

The Department is proud of the quality of its faculty, foreign language instruction, and the performance of its graduates. To achieve and maintain this quality, the Department has faculty whose members have either native or near-native proficiency and have Masters or Ph.D. degrees in the foreign languages they teach.

### *Degree Requirements*

Students electing to major in the Department must have completed Course 1002 in the language selected with a grade of "C" or better. Any Major who receives a grade of "D" in any course required for the major must repeat that course. No course required for the major may be taken on a satisfactory/unsatisfactory basis.

#### **Bachelor of Arts**

All students seeking a B.A. in a foreign language must meet the Departmental requirement of a minimum of 33 hours (excluding Language 1001 and 1002). The maximum number of hours that may be taken in the major is 45 (including Language 1001 and 1002). In addition, students seeking the B.A. in a foreign language who desire a teaching certificate must also take FLL 3264 (same as SEC ED 3274), Curriculum and Methods of Teaching Foreign Languages, and FLL 4364 (same as SEC ED 4374) FLL Teaching Seminar. They must also fulfill the professional secondary education requirements of the College of Education.

#### **Bachelor of Science in Education**

Those students seeking the B.S. Ed. degree with a concentration in a foreign language are required to complete 30 hours of work (excluding credit of Language 1001 and 1002), of which 12 hours must be on the 4300-level. Students working toward a degree in elementary education, with related work in a foreign language, should consult the College of Education concerning their program.

#### **Transfer Students**

Transfer students majoring in one of the foreign languages must complete, at UM-St. Louis, a minimum of 12 graded hours in language courses at the 3200-level or above with a grade point average of 2.0 or better in these courses.

#### **Native Speakers**

Native speakers may earn a major by completing at least two courses at the 3200-level and four courses at the 4300-level to obtain a major in their native language.

CAREER GUIDE

## Specific Requirements or Restrictions

A "D" in a Language 1001 course is a passing grade but not an entrance grade for a Language 1002 course. A "D" in a Language 1002 course is a passing grade but not an entrance grade for a Language 2101 course or its equivalent.

Students may not repeat for credit an elementary course if they have already completed a higher-level course for which the elementary course or its equivalent is a prerequisite.

## Specific Requirements for the Major

### French

Each Major in French must complete the following courses:

- 2101, Intermediate French Language and Culture, or the equivalent
- 2102, French Composition and Conversation
- 2180, Readings in French
- 3200, Advanced Grammar
- 3211, Contemporary French Civilization
- 3280, French Literature I: Middle Ages to Eighteenth Century
- 3281, French Literature II: Nineteenth and Twentieth Centuries

and **four** courses at the 4300-level.

In addition to fulfilling the general education and specific major degree requirements, each French Major is advised to take 15 hours of electives from two or more of the following areas: art, economics, English, history, music, philosophy, or political science. Listings of recommended courses may be obtained in the Department office. The remaining hours should be selected from university-level courses at UM-St. Louis in one or more of the areas listed below or their equivalents at other institutions: anthropology/archaeology, art (appreciation, history, studio), biology, chemistry, communication, criminology and criminal justice, economics, English, foreign languages/literatures, history, mathematics/computer science, music (appreciation, history, studio), biology, chemistry, communication, criminology and criminal justice, economics, English, foreign languages/literatures, history, mathematics/computer science, music (appreciation, history, performance), philosophy, physics, political science, psychology, social work, sociology, business, education, engineering, and interdisciplinary studies.

Strongly recommended are:

- History 3092, Europe 1900-1950
- History 3093, Europe 1950-present
- History 3085, Age of Renaissance
- History 3086, Age of Reformation
- History 3094, Contemporary France: Since 1870

### Spanish

Each Major in Spanish must complete the following courses:

- 2101, Intermediate Spanish, or 2105, Commercial Spanish, or the equivalent

Two of the following:

- 2171, Spanish Conversation and Pronunciation
- 2172, Spanish Composition
- 2180, Readings in Spanish

- 3200, Syntax of the Spanish Language
- 3210, Hispanic Culture and Civilization: Spain, or 3211, Hispanic Culture and Civilization: Spanish America
- 3280, Introduction to Hispanic Literature: Spain
- 3281, Introduction to Hispanic Literature: Spanish America

and **four** courses at the 4300-level, one of which must be:

- 4399, Seminar on Hispanic Literature

In addition to fulfilling the general education and specific major degree requirements, each Spanish Major is advised to take 15 hours of electives from two or more of the following areas: art, economics, English, history, music, philosophy, or political science. Listings of recommended courses may be obtained in the Department office. The remaining hours should be selected from the university-level courses at UM-St. Louis in one or more of the areas listed below or their equivalents at other institutions: anthropology/archaeology, art (appreciation, history, studio), biology, chemistry, communication, criminology and criminal justice, economics, English, foreign languages/literatures, history, mathematics/computer science, music (appreciation, history, performance), philosophy, physics, political science, psychology, social work, sociology, business, education, engineering, and interdisciplinary studies.

Strongly recommended are:

- History 3085, Age of Renaissance
- History 3086, Age of Reformation
- History 3092, Europe 1900-1950
- History 3093, Europe 1950-Present
- History 3201, History of Latin America: to 1808
- History 3202, History of Latin America: Since 1808
- Political Science 2530, Political Systems of South America
- Political Science 2540, Political Systems of Mexico, Central America and the Caribbean
- Political Science 2510, Comparative Politics of Europe

## Specific Requirements for the Minor

A minor in French, German, or Spanish may be earned by completing four courses in the language beyond Language 2101 or its equivalent. These courses must be completed with a grade of "C" or better. Transfer students must com-

plete at least two of these courses at UM-St. Louis. After Language 2101, students must complete the following courses in the language of their chosen minor:

### **French**

2102, Intermediate French Language and Culture II  
2180, Readings in French

Plus **two** additional courses on the 3200-level or above.

### **German**

2170, German Composition and Conversation  
2180, Readings in German

Plus **two** additional courses on the 3200-level or above.

### **Spanish**

**Two** of the following three:

2171, Spanish Conversation and Pronunciation  
2172, Spanish Composition  
2180, Readings in Spanish

Plus **two** additional courses on the 3200-level or above.

### **East Asian Studies Certificate**

This Certificate is offered through the Center for International Studies. Interested students should petition for the Certificate no later than the first semester of their senior year. Course requirements include 20 hours of Chinese, Japanese, or Korean, East Asian Civilization courses, 9 hours in related areas, and an Independent Study course. Please see flyers in the Foreign Language Office for details.

### ***Foreign Language Resource Center***

This Center is located in the suite of rooms in Clark Hall 400. Student peer tutors for each foreign language meet here with students who need help outside the classroom. Computers and technologically assisted instruction are also available in the Center. There is a lounge in this suite for the exclusive use of foreign language students.

### ***Study Abroad***

Language students, who have been at UM-St. Louis at least one semester and have studied the language at least one year, may receive 3-6 credits for formal study abroad during the summer. Students must obtain prior consent of the Department for summer courses abroad and must present a transcript and written course work for evaluation.

UM-St. Louis has exchange programs available with many universities in foreign countries. These programs require proficiency in the appropriate language. For information, contact the Study Abroad Office at the Center for International Studies.

### ***Advanced Credit***

High school students of foreign language may earn University credit for advanced language courses offered in St. Louis area high schools. The Department faculty works closely with advanced credit high school teachers to **award up to 10 hours of University credit** in foreign languages. For information, please contact the Continuing Education & Outreach at (314) 516-7005.

### ***Scholarships***

#### **International Studies Scholarship**

The Center for International Studies, the Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures, the College of Business Administration, and the Pierre Laclède Honors College co-sponsor these scholarships valued at \$5,500 annually. They aim to provide, for highly qualified students, a unique opportunity to deepen their understanding of the wider world through academic study and living experiences both at UM-St. Louis and abroad. For more information, please contact the Department at (314) 516-6240.

#### **Foreign Languages and Literatures Alumni Scholarship**

All students majoring in a foreign language with junior or senior standing are eligible to apply for this scholarship.

#### **Foreign Languages and Literatures German Scholarship**

Qualified German minors with junior or senior standing may apply for these educational fee waivers. For information, please contact the Department.

#### **Baldini Family Scholarship**

Qualified full-time UM-St. Louis students pursuing a foreign language and literature degree with teacher certification may apply for this scholarship which is awarded on a competitive basis and must be used within one semester of the award. For information, contact the Department.

#### **Community College Scholarship**

Qualified community college students may apply for the Foreign Language Community College Scholarship to be applied for educational fees toward the enrollment in third semester or higher courses in French, German, or Spanish. This scholarship must be used within one semester of the award. For information, contact the Department.

### ***National Honor Society***

Students who excel in the study of foreign languages are nominated to be members of the national collegiate honor society in foreign languages, Alpha Mu Gamma. The local chapter has student officers and meets socially.

## ***Foreign Language Clubs and Conversation Groups***

**La Table Francaise** meets weekly at the Nosh.

**The Greek Corner** meets weekly at the Nosh.

**Japanese Conversation** group meets twice a month.

**Kaffeestunde**, the German Club's conversation group, meets at the German Culture Center.

**Spanish Table** meets weekly at the Nosh.

For exact dates and meeting times, please contact the Department at 516-6240.

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